# Principles of modern fault diagnosis

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# FUNDAMENTAL CONCEPTS, DEFINITIONS AND HISTORY OF FAULT DIAGNOSIS

 $\rightarrow$  Modern control system with FDI



- $\rightarrow$  Fundamental definitions
  - **Fault:** an unpermitted deviation of at least one characteristic property or parameter of the system from the normal condition
  - **Failure:** a permanent interruption of the system ability to perform a required function under specified operating conditions
  - **Symptom:** a change of an observable quantity from normal behaviour
  - **Fault diagnosis:** the determination of the kind, size, location and occurrence time of a fault

## → Regions of required and degraded system performance



**Safety:** describes the absence of danger. A safety system is a part of control equipment that protects a technological system from a permanent damage.

### → Diagnostic steps



**Fault detection:** the determination of faults (and their detection time) present in the system

Fault isolation: the determination of the kind and location of a fault

**Fault identification:** the determination of the size and time-variant behaviour of a fault

#### $\rightarrow$ Fault diagnosis as a two-step procedure



**Residual:** a fault indicator obtained with a deviation between measurements and model-based computations

### $\rightarrow$ Fault isolation schemes

**Dedicated scheme:** A set of residuals is generated where each residual is sensitive to one fault only. The diagnostic logic boils down to

$$r_{i,k} > T_i \Rightarrow f_{i,k} \neq 0, \quad i = 1, \dots, g,$$

where  $\mathbf{r}_k \in \mathbb{R}^g$  stands for the residual vector,  $T_i$  denotes the threshold,  $\mathbf{f}_k \in \mathbb{R}^g$  is the fault vector.

**Generalized scheme:** A set of residuals is generated where each residual is sensitive to all but one fault. The diagnostic logic boils down to

$$\left.\begin{array}{l}r_{i,k} \leqslant T_i\\r_{j,k} > T_j, j = 1\dots, i-1, i+1,\dots,g\end{array}\right\} \Rightarrow f_{i,k} \neq 0, \quad i = 1,\dots,g.$$

# $\rightarrow$ Detectability and isolability

**Detectability:** The *i*-th fault  $f_{i,k}$  is detectable if there exists a stable residual generator such that  $\boldsymbol{r}_k$ is affected by  $f_{i,k}$ .

**Isolability:** The *i*-th fault  $f_{i,k}$  is isolable if there exists a stable residual generator such that the fault  $f_{i,k}$  is distinguishable from other faults based on  $\boldsymbol{r}_k$ .

## $\rightarrow$ Classification of faults



Actuators faults: can be viewed as any malfunction of equipment that actuates the system, e.g. a malfunction of an electro-mechanical actuator for a diesel engine

System dynamics faults (or component faults): occur when some changes in the system make the dynamic relation invalid, e.g. a leak in a tank in a two-tank system

Sensors faults: can be perceived as serious measurement variations

- → Outline of the model-based FDI history
  - **1971:** Fault detection for linear dynamic systems Beard: PhD thesis, MIT
  - **1975:** Development of observer-based techniques Clark *et al.*: IEEE Trans. Aero. and Electron.
  - **1979:** Development of parity relation methods Mironovski: Aut. Remote Contr.
  - **1980:** Definition of a two-stage diagnostic procedure Chow and Willsky: Proc. Conf. on Decision and Contr., CDC
  - **1981:** Tackling the robustness problem in FDI Frank and Keller: IEEE Trans. Aero. & Electron. Syst.
  - 1986: Development of FDI for non-linear systems Hengy and Frank: IFAC Workshop on Fault Detection and Safety in Chemical Plants

- → Outline of the model-based FDI history
  - **1988:** Development of adaptive-threshold-based techniques Emami-Naeini *et al.*: IEEE Trans. Automat. Contr.
  - **1989:** Application of soft computing techniques for FDI Watanabe *et al.*: AICHE J.
  - **1991:** Tackling the robustness problem in FDI for non-linear systems Frank and Seliger: Control and Dynamic Syst.

Establishment of the IFAC Technical Committee: Fault

Detection, Safety and Supervision of Technical Processes, SAFEPROCESS

Founder and first Chairman: Prof. Rolf Isermann

...: Further improvements of the existing FDI techniques

2002: Development of robust soft computing techniques for FDI Witczak, Korbicz, *et al.* 

# CLASSICAL ANALYTICAL APPROACHES TO RESIDUAL GENERATION

- Direct-model-based residual generation scheme
- Parameter-estimation-based techniques: Bakiotis, Raymond and Rault (1979): Proc. IEEE Conf. on Decision and Control, CDC
- Parity relation residual generation schemes: Mironovski (1979): Aut. Remote Contr., Vol. 40
- Observer-based residual generators: Clark, Fosth and Walton (1975): IEEE Trans. Aero. and Electron. Syst., Vol. 11

### $\rightarrow$ Direct-model-based residual generation scheme



Residual:

$$oldsymbol{r}_k = oldsymbol{y}_k - \hat{oldsymbol{y}}_k$$

#### $\rightarrow$ Parameter-estimation-based techniques



Residual:

$$\boldsymbol{r}_k = \boldsymbol{p}_0 - \hat{\boldsymbol{p}}_k,$$

where  $p_0$  stands for the nominal (non-faulty) parameter vector and  $\hat{p}_k$  is the parameter estimate

# → Parameter-estimation-based techniques Model structure:

$$y_k = \boldsymbol{g}(\boldsymbol{\phi}_k, \boldsymbol{p}_k),$$

where  $\phi_k$  may contain the previous or current system input  $u_k$ , the previous system or model output  $(y \text{ or } \hat{y})$ , and the previous prediction error. Main assumptions:

- The model structure  $\boldsymbol{g}(\cdot)$  is assumed to be linear with respect to the parameters  $\boldsymbol{p}_k$
- the model parameters should have physical meaning, i.e. they should correspond to the parameters of the system

- → Parameter-estimation-based techniques an illustrative example
  - Different physical quantities (force, pressure, displacement, etc.) can be transduced into impedance values
  - *Problem:* in order to measure and diagnose these quantities it is necessary to develop an accurate on-line impedance measurement method
  - Proposed solution: a virtual bridge

(L. Angrisani et al. (1996): IEEE Trans. Instrument. and Measurement, Vol. 45, No. 6)



- → Task: to obtain R and C based on the measurements of u(t) and v(t)
- Current equality:

$$C\frac{dv(t)}{dt} + \frac{v(t)}{R} = \frac{u(t) - v(t)}{R_r}.$$

Assuming that  $u(t) = U\sqrt{2}\sin(\omega t)$ , the steady-state solution can be written as

$$v(t) = \rho U \sqrt{2} R((R + Rr) \sin(\omega t) - R_r RC\omega \cos(\omega t)),$$

where  $\rho = \left(R^2 + 2R_r R + R_r^2 (1 + \omega^2 R^2 C^2)\right)^{-1}$ .

• Discrete-time form:

$$v_k = p_1 u_{1,k} + p_2 u_{2,k},$$

where

$$p_1 = \rho R(R + R_r), \quad p_2 = \rho R_r C \omega R^2$$

 $u_{1,k} = U\sqrt{2}\sin(\omega k\tau), u_{2,k} = U\sqrt{2}\cos(\omega k\tau)$ , where  $\tau$  is the sampling time

- Since v<sub>k</sub> is non-linear with respect to R and C (L. Angrisani et al. (1996): IEEE Trans. Instrument. and Measurement, Vol. 45, No. 6) proposed to estimate them with a non-linear optimization technique.
- Is it really necessary to use non-linear parameter estimation techniques for estimating R and C?
- We propose to estimate  $p_1$  and  $p_2$  with the classical recursive least-square algorithm and then to obtain the estimates of R and C according to (Witczak (2005): IFAC World Congress):

$$\hat{R} = -\frac{R_r(\hat{p}_1^2 + \hat{p}_2^2)}{\hat{p}_1^2 + \hat{p}_2^2 - \hat{p}_1}, \quad \hat{C} = -\frac{\hat{p}_2}{R_r\omega(\hat{p}_1^2 + \hat{p}_2^2)}$$

## $\rightarrow$ Exemplary run of the proposed algorithm



- → Advantages and drawbacks of parameter-estimation-based residual generation techniques
  - The model has to be linear with respect to the parameters
  - The detection of faults in sensors and actuators is possible but rather complicated, i.e. a suitable transformation of parameter deviations into these faults has to be determined
  - The detection and isolation of parametric faults are very straightforward
  - A variety of on-line parameter estimation methods can be applied

### $\rightarrow$ Parity relation

The basic idea underlying the parity relation approach is to check the consistency of the system measurements

$$\boldsymbol{y}_k = \boldsymbol{C}\boldsymbol{x}_k + \boldsymbol{f}_k + \boldsymbol{v}_k,$$

where  $\boldsymbol{y}_k \in \mathbb{R}^m$  is the measured output, and  $\boldsymbol{x}_k \in \mathbb{R}^n$  is the state,  $\boldsymbol{v}_k$  is the noise, and  $\boldsymbol{f}_k$  stands for the sensor faults. The measurement vector  $\boldsymbol{y}_k$  can be combined into a set of linearly

independent parity equations, i.e.

$$oldsymbol{r}_k = oldsymbol{V}oldsymbol{y}_k = oldsymbol{V}\left[oldsymbol{C}oldsymbol{x}_k + oldsymbol{f}_k + oldsymbol{v}_k
ight].$$

Assumptions:

- n signals are measured with m sensors, where m > n
- $\operatorname{rank}(\boldsymbol{C}) = n$

## $\rightarrow$ Parity relation

Design procedure:

Set

VC = 0

to get

$$oldsymbol{r}_k = oldsymbol{V}[oldsymbol{f}_k + oldsymbol{v}_k].$$

Note that the residual is affected by faults and noise only Main drawbacks:

- it requires additional hardware, i.e. sensors, which may lead to a significant increase in the cost
- it is useless when rank(C) = m < n

# Parity relation with an analytical redundancy Assumptions:

- analytical redundancy is performed by collecting sensor outputs in a data window, i.e.  $\{y_{k-i}\}_{i=0}^{s}$
- since redundancy is related to time, such an approach requires the knowledge of a dynamic model, which can be given as follows:

$$egin{aligned} oldsymbol{x}_{k+1} &= oldsymbol{A} oldsymbol{x}_k + oldsymbol{B} oldsymbol{u}_k + oldsymbol{L}_1 oldsymbol{f}_k \ oldsymbol{y}_k &= oldsymbol{C} oldsymbol{x}_k + oldsymbol{D} oldsymbol{u}_k + oldsymbol{L}_2 oldsymbol{f}_k. \end{aligned}$$

Redundancy relation



→ Parity relation with an analytical redundancy Residual:

$$\boldsymbol{r}_k = \boldsymbol{V}[\boldsymbol{Y}_k - \boldsymbol{H}\boldsymbol{U}_k] = \boldsymbol{V}\boldsymbol{W}\boldsymbol{x}_{k-s} + \boldsymbol{V}\boldsymbol{M}\boldsymbol{F}_k.$$

Design procedure

Set VW = 0 under  $VM \neq 0$ .

How to determine the size of the time window?

See (Chen and Patton, 1999) for a comprehensive discussion regarding the size s of the time window.

Main advantage: It can be used for designing a set of residuals that can be applied to sensors and actuators FDI

# $\rightarrow$ Observer-based residual generators



System description:

$$oldsymbol{x}_{k+1} = oldsymbol{A}_k oldsymbol{x}_k + oldsymbol{B}_k oldsymbol{u}_k + oldsymbol{L}_{1,k} oldsymbol{f}_k + oldsymbol{w}_k$$
 $oldsymbol{y}_k = oldsymbol{C}_k oldsymbol{x}_k + oldsymbol{D}_k oldsymbol{u}_k + oldsymbol{L}_{2,k} oldsymbol{f}_k + oldsymbol{v}_k.$ 

#### $\rightarrow$ Luenberger observers and Kalman filters

**Deterministic systems – Luenberger observer:** 

$$\hat{oldsymbol{x}}_{k+1} = oldsymbol{A}_k \hat{oldsymbol{x}}_k + oldsymbol{B}_k oldsymbol{u}_k + oldsymbol{K}_{k+1} (oldsymbol{y}_k - \hat{oldsymbol{y}}_k)$$

$$m{r}_{k+1} = m{C}_{k+1} [m{A}_k - m{K}_{k+1} m{C}_k] [m{x}_k - \hat{m{x}}_k] + m{C}_{k+1} m{L}_{1,k} m{f}_k \ - m{C}_{k+1} m{K}_{k+1} m{L}_{2,k} m{f}_k + m{L}_{2,k+1} m{f}_{k+1}$$

Stochastic systems – Kalman filter:

$$\hat{x}_{k+1/k} = A_k \hat{x}_k + B_k u_k$$
  
 $\hat{x}_{k+1} = \hat{x}_{k+1/k} + K_{k+1} [y_{k+1} - C_{k+1} \hat{x}_{k+1/k}]$ 

$$m{r}_{k+1} = m{C}_{k+1} m{Z}_{k+1} m{A}_k [m{x}_k - \hat{m{x}}_k] + m{C}_{k+1} m{Z}_{k+1} m{L}_{1,k} m{f}_k + m{M}_{k+1} m{L}_{2,k} m{f}_{k+1} + m{C}_{k+1} m{Z}_{k+1} m{w}_k + m{M}_{k+1} m{v}_{k+1},$$

where  $Z_{k+1} = [I - K_{k+1}C_{k+1}]$  and  $M_{k+1} = [I - C_{k+1}K_{k+1}]$ .

# CLASSICAL ANALYTICAL APPROACHES TO RESIDUAL EVALUATION

**Deterministic approaches** -a fixed threshold

## Stochastic approaches

- weighted sum-squared residual testing: Willsky *et al.* (1975): J. Spacecrafts and Rockets, Vol. 12, No. 7
- $\chi^2$  testing: Willsky (1976): Automatica, Vol. 12, No. 7
- sequential probability ration testing: Willsky (1976): Automatica, Vol. 12, No. 7
- generalized likelihood ration testing: Willsky and Jones (1974): IEEE Conf. on Decision and Control, CDC
- cumulative sum algorithm: Nikiforov et al. (1993): Automatica
- multiple hypothesis testing: Bogh et al. (1995): Contr. Eng. Practice, Vol. 3, No. 12

## ✓ NON-LINEAR EXTENSIONS OF CLASSICAL TECHNIQUES

- $\rightarrow$  Non-linear extensions of parity relation
  - Parity relation for polynomial systems: Guernez et al. (1997)
  - Parity relation for bilinear systems: Shields et al. (1997)
  - General scheme for non-linear systems: Krishnaswami and Rizzoni *et al.* (1994)



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- $\rightarrow$  Observers for non-linear systems deterministic systems
  - Extended Luenberger and Kalman observer: Boutayeb and Aubry (1999)
  - Observers for Lipschitz non-linear systems: Thau (1973), Witczak (2005):

$$egin{aligned} m{x}_{k+1} &= m{A}m{x}_k + m{B}m{u}_k + m{g}(m{x}_k,m{u}_k) + m{L}_{1,k}m{f}_k \ m{y}_{k+1} &= m{C}m{x}_{k+1} + m{L}_{2,k+1}m{f}_{k+1}, \end{aligned}$$

where  $\|\boldsymbol{g}(\boldsymbol{x}_1, \boldsymbol{u}^*) - \boldsymbol{g}(\boldsymbol{x}_2, \boldsymbol{u}^*)\|_2 \leq \gamma \|\boldsymbol{x}_1 - \boldsymbol{x}_2\|_2$  and  $\gamma > 0$  stands for the Lipschitz constant

- Observers for polynomial and binomial systems: Shields (1997)
- Coordinate transformation: Califano et al. (2003): Sys. & Cont. Lett.:

$$egin{aligned} oldsymbol{x}_{k+1} &= oldsymbol{g}(oldsymbol{x}_k,oldsymbol{u}_k) \ y_{k+1} &= oldsymbol{h}(oldsymbol{x}_{k+1}) \end{aligned}$$

Transformations  $\boldsymbol{z} = \phi(\boldsymbol{x})$  and  $\bar{y} = \varphi(y)$  yield

$$oldsymbol{z}_{k+1} = oldsymbol{A}(oldsymbol{u}_k)oldsymbol{z}_k + \xi(y_k,oldsymbol{u}_k)$$
  
 $oldsymbol{ar{y}_{k+1}} = arphi(y_{k+1}) = oldsymbol{C}oldsymbol{z}_{k+1}.$ 

# → Observers for non-linear systems

Observers for stochastic non-linear systems

- Extended Kalman filter: Korbicz *et al.*(2004)
- Second-order extended Kalman filter (possible to use)
- Iterated extended Kalman filter (possible to use)
- Particle filter: Hutten and Dearden (2003)

# TOWARDS ROBUSTNESS – ACTIVE AND PASSIVE APPROACHES

Main drawback of conventional techniques

# lack of robustness to model uncertainty

- Active approaches the elimination of model uncertainty from the residual:
  - unknown input observers
  - parity relations methods
- Passive approaches provide an adaptive threshold taking into account model uncertainty:
  - approaches for linear systems
  - linearization-based extensions for non-linear systems

## $\rightarrow$ Unknown Input Observer (UIO)

$$egin{aligned} oldsymbol{x}_{k+1} &= oldsymbol{A}_k oldsymbol{x}_k + oldsymbol{B}_k oldsymbol{u}_k + oldsymbol{B}_k oldsymbol{u}_k + oldsymbol{w}_k oldsymbol{d}_k + oldsymbol{v}_k \ oldsymbol{y}_k &= oldsymbol{C}_k oldsymbol{x}_k + oldsymbol{v}_k, \end{aligned}$$

where

- $\blacksquare x_k \in \mathbb{R}^n$  is the state
- $\boldsymbol{I} \boldsymbol{y}_k \in \mathbb{R}^m$  is the output
- $\blacksquare u_k \in \mathbb{R}^r$  is the input
- $\blacksquare$   $d_k \in \mathbb{R}^q$  is the unknown input
- $w_k$  and  $v_k$  are independent zero-mean white noise sequences with the covariance matrices  $Q_k$  and  $R_k$

## $\rightarrow$ Unknown input observer

$$m{z}_{k+1} = m{F}_{k+1} m{z}_k + m{T}_{k+1} m{B}_k m{u}_k + m{K}_{k+1} m{y}_k$$
 $\hat{m{x}}_{k+1} = m{z}_{k+1} + m{H}_{k+1} m{y}_{k+1}$ 

→ Alternative form of the UIO

$$\hat{\boldsymbol{x}}_{k+1} = \hat{\boldsymbol{x}}_{k+1/k} + \boldsymbol{H}_{k+1} \boldsymbol{\varepsilon}_{k+1/k} + \boldsymbol{K}_{1,k+1} \boldsymbol{\varepsilon}_{k},$$

where

## $\rightarrow$ Unknown input observer

The necessary condition for the existence of a solution to the unknown input de-coupling problem is (Chen and Patton, 1999)

$$\operatorname{rank}(\boldsymbol{C}_{k+1}\boldsymbol{E}_k) = \operatorname{rank}(\boldsymbol{E}_k)$$

and a special solution is

$$\boldsymbol{H}_{k+1}^* = \boldsymbol{E}_k \left[ (\boldsymbol{C}_{k+1} \boldsymbol{E}_k)^T \boldsymbol{C}_{k+1} \boldsymbol{E}_k \right]^{-1} (\boldsymbol{C}_{k+1} \boldsymbol{E}_k)^T$$

The above solution makes it possible to de-couple the unknown input from the state estimation error and, as a consequence, from the residual.

## → Unknown input observer – sensor FDI scheme



## → Unknown input observer – actuator FDI scheme



→ Passive approaches – adaptive threshold



- $\rightarrow$  Adaptive threshold in parameter-estimation-based fault diagnosis schemes
  - The system is linear-in-parameters and can be described as follows:

$$\boldsymbol{y}_k = \boldsymbol{z}_k^T \boldsymbol{p} + \boldsymbol{\varepsilon}_k$$

where  $z_k$  stands for the regressor vector and  $\varepsilon_k$  denotes the noise.

• A recursive least-square technique is employed for parameter estimation:

$$egin{aligned} \hat{m{p}}_k &= \hat{m{p}}_{k-1} + m{k}_k arepsilon_k \ m{k}_k &= m{P}_{k-1} m{z}_k \left(1 + m{z}_k^T m{P}_{k-1} m{z}_k
ight)^{-1} \ arepsilon_k &= y_k - m{z}_k^T \hat{m{p}}_k \ m{P}_k &= \left[m{I}_{n_p} - m{k}_k m{z}_k^T
ight]m{P}_{k-1} \end{aligned}$$

Residual  $\mathbf{r}_k = \mathbf{p}_0 - \hat{\mathbf{p}}_k$  and its adaptive threshold (at  $\alpha$ -level):

$$|r_{i,k}| < t_{\alpha} \hat{\sigma} \sqrt{s_{i,k}}, \quad i = 1, \dots, n_p,$$

where  $t_{\alpha}$  is the t-Student distribution quantile,  $s_k = \text{diag}(P_k)$ ,  $\hat{\sigma}$  is the noise standard deviation estimate

- → Adaptive threshold in input-output fault diagnosis schemes Main assumptions and concepts: Emami-Naeini *et al.* (1988); Ding and Frank (1991)
  - The residual can be described in the frequency domain

$$r(s) = H(s)G_f(s)f(s) + H(s)\Delta G_u(s)u(s)$$

where

- H(s) represents system dynamics
- $-G_f(s)$  describes the influence of faults f(s) on the system
- $-\Delta G_u(s)$  denotes model uncertainty
- -u(s) is. the input
- Model uncertainty is bounded:

 $\|\Delta G_u(s)\| < \delta$ 

# → Adaptive threshold in input-output fault diagnosis schemes Main assumptions and concepts:

• Fault-free residual

$$r(s) = H(s)\Delta G_u(s)u(s)$$

and its norm:

 $||r(s)|| = ||H(s)\Delta G_u(s)u(s)|| \le ||H(s)u(s)|| ||\Delta G_u(s)|| \le \delta ||H(s)u(s)||$ 

• The adaptive threshold is generated by the system of the form

 $T(s) = \delta H(s)u(s)$ 

• The fault detection logic boils down to checking

||r(t)|| > ||T(t)||

• An optimization procedure can be implemented in order to increase sensitivity to faults

- TACKLING NON-LINEARITIES AND THE ROBUSTNESS PROBLEM
  - → Unknown Input Observers for non-linear systems deterministic systems
    - Extended UIO: Witczak et al. (2002)
    - UIO for Lipschitz non-linear systems: Koenig and Mammar (2001); Witczak (2005)
    - UIO for polynomial and binomial systems: Shields (2001)
    - UIO coordinate transformation: Seliger and Frank (2000)
  - ➔ Unknown input observers for non-linear systems stochastic systems
    - Extended UIO: Witczak et al. (2002)
    - UIO particle filter no work reported

# ISSUES OF ANALYTICAL TECHNIQUES = CHALLENGES FOR SOFT COMPUTING

- **D** Difficulties in developing non-linear models:
  - there is no general analytical framework for non-linear system identification
  - the parameter estimation problem is often a global optimization task
- **I** Issues in designing fault diagnosis schemes:
  - insensitivity to (noise+disturbances+unknown inputs) + sensitivity to faults = global and multi-objective optimization problems
  - designing non-linear observers: increasing convergence rate + robustness to model uncertainty = global structure optimization task
- **I** Alternative methods of model uncertainty representation